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AXIAL LOCKING AND FREE BEARING

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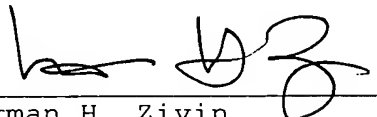
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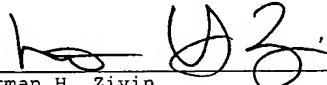
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		DE 3223302 A1	12-22-1983	Kajetan LEITNER	Abstract	✓
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